



Oxford
SCHOOL OF ENGLISH



Junior Summer
School 2024



The whole experience was fantastic and inspiring, the professors were helpful and very nice. Thanks to Oxford School of English and the city itself, I was able to connect with many different cultures and realities. I totally recommend it!

Maria, Italy



The OSE Junior Summer School is open for 6 weeks in July & August



Open to students aged 12-17*



Central Oxford campus



Combines English tuition with practical skills



Full programme of excursions and social activities



Vibrant mix of nationalities

*We can accept a small number of students aged 11, for more information see page 13

21 years, 17,000 students

Since opening in Oxford two decades ago, our school has provided English language courses and activity programmes to some 17,000 students.

We host junior groups throughout the year, while our Oxford Summer School is open for six weeks in July and August. Each year, our Summer School hosts around 600 students from all over the world.



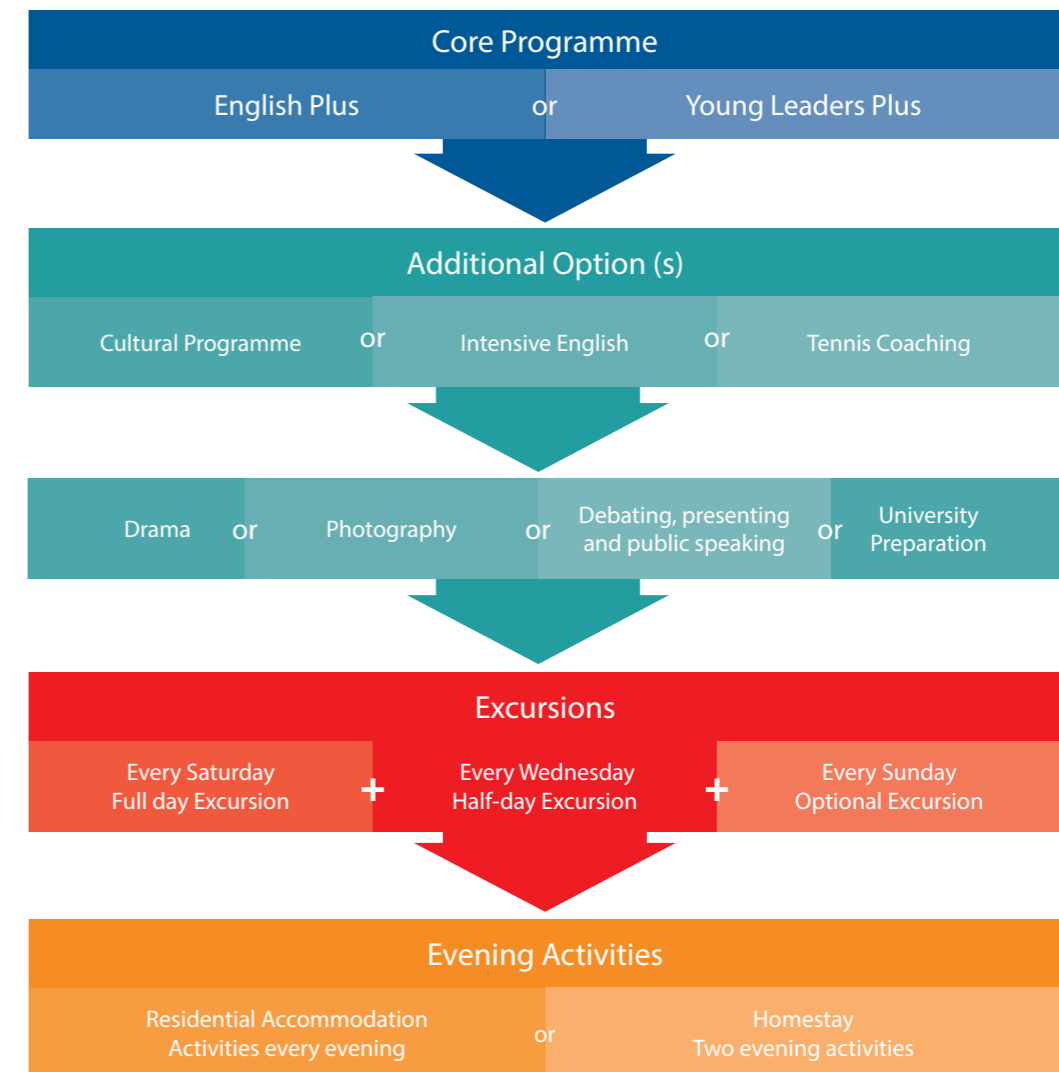
“ Before coming to Oxford, I was so afraid of ‘English Language’. I thought if I said something in English, I would make a mistake and people would laugh at me. English was a subject I didn’t like at all.

But I’ve learnt so much and changed a lot! I’ve become more brave, now I dare show my feelings, to speak and to answer questions in English. I even dare to share my opinions in English. Thank you, OSE!

Puntita, Thailand



English Plus and Young Leaders Plus



- Students can choose only one subject from the Additional options list, although some of these options are combined with the Cultural programme (see below).
- The Debating, presenting & public speaking and University preparation courses are 2 days per week, and students choosing either of these courses will also join the Cultural programme for the remainder.
- Debating, presenting and public speaking & University preparation are one-week courses only.
- Photography is a one-week course only.
- The Drama course is for one week including four sessions each lasting three hours.
- Students choosing Tennis coaching will have tennis lessons every weekday and will not join the Wednesday half-day excursion.
- Intensive English is available only to students choosing English Plus as their core programme.
- The Sunday optional excursion is dependent upon the number of students registering for this.
- For each additional option, we require a minimum number of registered students.

Courses in detail

Core study programmes

Young Leaders Plus

This course guides students through a range of leadership challenges, teaching them to apply rational and critical thinking to the kind of testing situations they may face in the future and to develop new management skills. Working together in small groups, our Young Leaders learn how to:

- Develop self-confidence
- Participate in meetings and debates
- Improve 'soft' skills such as teamwork, time management and problem-solving
- Explore the professional writing skills needed for emails, reports and memos
- Learn from experienced leaders in coaching session

This course is 15 hours per week (3 hours per day, Monday to Friday), and is open to students aged 13+, with a minimum of B2 level English.



English Plus

Our 15 hours per week English Plus course is open to all students, with classes at every level, from Beginner (A0) to Proficiency (C2). Covering every aspect of English language learning – listening, speaking, reading, writing, with additional work on vocabulary and pronunciation – our courses are designed to make significant improvements to students' ability in a short time.

The coursework can be dovetailed into elements of the Cultural programme, enabling students to put their new knowledge into practical use in purpose-designed research and quiz projects.

To ensure a vibrant and student-focused classroom environment, we limit our class size to no more than 16 students. On average we have 12-13 students per class.



“ My English improved a lot – I had amazing teachers and everyone was always willing to help. I was very happy studying with OSE.

Thanks for everything!

Diego, Venezuela

Additional options

Cultural programme

Oxford is one of the world's most fascinating and beautiful cities, with a huge number of things to see and to do. Our cultural programme guides students through many of the city's historic features.

The action-packed programme ensures that not a moment is lost during the students' stay, filling their leisure time with quizzes, sports (football, badminton, basketball, bowling and volleyball), team challenges, karaoke, film viewings, discos and a farewell party.



Intensive English

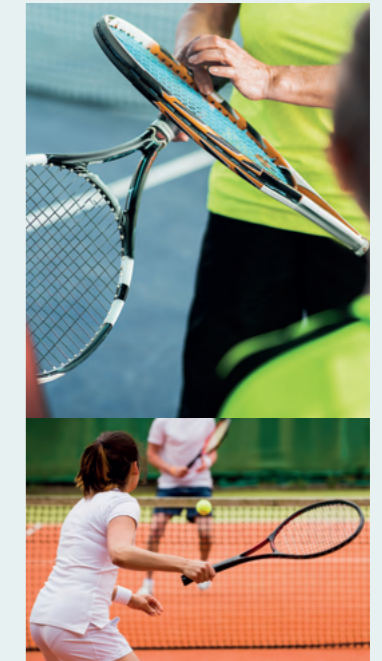
Students choosing our English Plus course can add Intensive English to their study programme, so that they study English for six hours per day, four days per week. This maximises their exposure to English language learning and ensures that they make the fastest possible progress.

Intensive English students join the full-day excursion each Saturday, the Wednesday half-day excursion and evening activities (every evening for residential students, and twice per week for homestay students).



Tennis coaching

Coached by LTA-qualified expert staff from a leading tennis coaching organisation (Jonathon Markson Tennis), our students are able to blend sporting excellence with English language learning and elements of our evening cultural programme. Students taking this course also join the full-day excursion every Saturday.



Debating, presenting and public speaking

Students are taught the skills of debating, public speaking and making presentations – daunting challenges for most young people, but skills that can be quickly mastered when you have the key.



Students are shown how to:

- Research, plan and structure a presentation
- Construct and present convincing arguments
- Be aware of the importance of your voice and body language
- Develop techniques to address an audience with confidence

This course is 6 hours per week (3 hours per day; 2 days per week), and is open to students aged 13+ with a minimum of B1 level English.

University preparation

University is a sudden step up for most students, introducing its own new challenges; and our University preparation course provides clear guidance on how to be a success from the very first moment. Our course is focused on applying for and attending university in the UK, but is equally valuable for students planning to study at university elsewhere.



The course shows students how to:

- Enhance the note-taking skills needed for university lectures
- Focus on how English is used in an academic environment
- Explore the differences between seminars, lectures and workshops
- Learn about the UK university application system

Photography

Our photography course enables students to explore composition, lighting, cropping, contrast, effects, macro and depth of field; to experiment with movement, long exposure and Light Painting; and to use Photoshop to enhance and manipulate images.

Most importantly, the course helps students to increase significantly their understanding of camera work and develop their own style.



Drama

Our drama course is designed for students who are keen to develop their acting skills and gain confidence through a mixture of performance methods. This course is suitable for complete beginners as well as more experienced drama students. Our teachers are drama professionals with a wealth of experience in teaching acting and performance to foreign students.

The minimum level of English for this course is A2 equivalent.



Excursions and evening activities

All students join a full-day excursion each Saturday, and a half-day excursion (except those taking Tennis coaching) each Wednesday.

There is also an optional excursion every Sunday*.

Excursion destinations include London, Brighton, Bath, Blenheim Palace, Warwick Castle and Cotswold Wildlife Park.

*The Sunday optional excursion is dependent upon the number of students interested.

Evening activities

Evening activities include sports, karaoke, discos, quizzes, films, social events and a farewell party at the end of the course. Students living in our residential accommodation participate in activities every evening, while students in homestay join them twice per week.

Sample Programme: Junior Summer School 2024 - 2-Week Residential Programme

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Arrival Day	Classes 09:00 - 10:30 11:00 - 12:30	Classes 09:00 - 10:30 11:00 - 12:30	Classes 09:00 - 10:30 11:00 - 12:30	Classes 09:00 - 10:30 11:00 - 12:30	Classes 09:00 - 10:30 11:00 - 12:30	Day Trip to London! 08:00 - 18:00	Choice Day! 10:30 - 18:30
		Oxford walking tour 14:00 - 15:30 Guided tour around Oxford with your Activity Leader	Quiz Trail + Carfax 14:30 - 16:30 Follow the clues to learn more about Oxford. Finish the trail with a climb up Carfax Tower for some stunning views of the city	Cotswold Wildlife Park 13:15 - 18:00 A half-day excursion to the home of a fascinating collection of animals!	Sports Afternoon! 14:30 - 16:30 A range of fun activities and sports on South Park!	Bowling! 14:30 - 16:30 A round of bowling at the Kassam Stadium	Full-day excursion to London with walking tour of Buckingham Palace, Westminster, Trafalgar Square, Piccadilly Circus and Covent Garden	A day for your group to plan in advance with your Group Leader. If you are an individual student you will be accompanied by an OSE Activity Leader for the day in Oxford.
Evening	Social Evening to make new friends!	20:00 - 22:00 Sports Night	19:30 - 21:30 Bingo!	20:00 - 22:00 Disco	20:00 - 22:00 Cinema	20:00 - 22:00 Disco	20:00 - 22:00 Talent Show Prep	20:00 - 22:00 Talent Show

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Scavenger Hunt 9:30 - 12:30 Clues, challenges, photo opportunities and competition!	Punting 09:30 - 12:00 Try your hand at one of Oxford's most popular and traditional past times. Balance is key along the Cherwell River	Bourton-on-the-Water 09:30 - 12:30 A half-day excursion to this idyllic town in the heart of British countryside. This town has been voted the most beautiful in England!	Cream Tea and Museum Trip 09:30 - 12:00 Traditional cream tea (lots of calories!) and a trip to one of Oxford's many museums to enrich the mind	Sports Morning! 09:30 - 12:00 A chance to blow off some steam and have a bit of friendly competition on South Park or University Parks	Day Trip to Warwick Castle and Stratford! 08:00 - 18:00 Full-day excursion taking in the medieval Warwick Castle and then on to Stratford, Shakespeare's town of birth.	Departure Day
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Evening	20:00 - 22:00 Games Evening	19:30 - 21:30 Karaoke!	20:00 - 22:00 Disco	20:00 - 22:00 Video Journal Eve	20:00 - 22:00 Graduation!	20:00 - 22:00 Post Card Evening/ Farewells	



It was my first experience alone abroad and it was an unforgettable challenge. I felt at home at all times and everyone was so helpful, so I learned a lot. I am very grateful to OSE and I would love to come back!

Pablo, Spain

“ Not only were all the teachers in Oxford School of English very kind, but they always made lessons very enjoyable and I improved my English a lot. I really enjoyed studying in this school!

Mia, Japan



Campus and accommodation

City centre campus

The OSE summer school is based at the City of Oxford College, in the heart of Oxford. Classrooms are spacious and are fitted with projectors and whiteboards, enabling our teaching team to make the best use of modern technology and ensure that lessons are stimulating, varied and highly topical.

At break times students have access to the café, Wi-Fi, and lovely seating areas on the grass beside the mill stream.



Our campus at City of Oxford College

Age range

We welcome students aged 12-17. However, we can accept a small number of students aged 11 but no more than 10 students of this age in total, subject to availability. However, to be certain of finding accommodation for younger students, it is essential that we receive full details of any student below the age of 12 as early as possible.

Sunday to Sunday

All accommodation bookings must be Sunday to Sunday – students are unable to arrive before Sunday, or depart later than Sunday.

Residential accommodation

Our residential accommodation is a 12 minute bus ride from the campus. The accommodation is part of Oxford Brookes University and all the rooms are single en-suite.

Residential students receive a hot lunch. The minimum age for residential accommodation is 12.

Homestay Accommodation

Homestay is our most popular accommodation option. Living with Oxford residents is a great way to learn more about the UK and British culture, and enables students to practise their English in a typical British home.

Breakfast and evening meals are provided (a packed lunch is provided by the school); any laundry is done; and students have a warm, safe home to come back to after an excursion or an exhausting day in school!

We have more than 400 homestay families, enabling us to choose the right homestay for every student. We have fantastic feedback from students about our homestay service, but in any case our Accommodation Manager is always available if students or parents have any questions or problems.

Homestay accommodation can be provided to individual students only if they are 16+.





Ages
11-17



English Level
Elementary – Advanced



Location
Central Oxford



Accommodation
Residential or Homestay



Duration
2 or 3 weeks



Nationalities
A wide mix of nationalities

Arrivals, departures and key facts

2-Weeks Course

30th June - 14th July
14th July - 28th July
28th July - 11th August

3-Weeks Course

30th June - 21st July
21st July - 11th August

Airport arrivals and departures

We can arrange transfers to and from any London airport. Please check with us first if the arrival and departure point is outside the London area.

All students booking an airport transfer – whether travelling alone or in a group – are met at the airport upon arrival, and taken either by taxi or coach to their Oxford accommodation. Students are also taken back to the airport upon departure.

For all students aged 14 and under travelling alone, an Unaccompanied Minor service (where students are met upon arrival, and escorted from the taxi to the departures hall and checked in upon departure) is compulsory. Please see separate charges for this in the price list.

Oxford is easy to get to from all London airports and only 45 minutes by car from Heathrow. After your flight – especially if it's a long one – it's always good to know that you have only a short journey to our summer school in Oxford.

Please note that all students must arrive at their accommodation before 21:00. We always do our best to provide a meal to any student arriving after dinner, but this cannot be guaranteed.

Terms and conditions

Please see our separate price list for full details of our terms and conditions.



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